Comparative price-rise of coal of different grade during the last 5 years

2331. SHRI RATNA BAHADUR RAI: Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state the year-wise comparative price rise of coal of various grades during the last five year?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COAL (SHRI S. B. NYAMAGOUDA): The comparative increased prices for various grades of coal duing the last five years are as under:—

Gradewise comparative prices of coal produced in Coal India Limited (CIL) and Singareni Collieries Company Limited (SCCL)

(I) Coking, Semi Coking and Weakly Coking Coals produced in CIL.

(Rs. per tonne)

	Increased prices in December, 1987	Increased prices in January, 1989	Increased prices in December, 1991
Steel Grade I	573.00	651.00	842.00
Steel Grade II	478.00	543.00	702.00
Washery Grade I	413.00	470.00	608.00
Washery Grade II	343.00	390.00	504.00
Washery Grade III	264.00	300.00	388.00
Washery Grade IV	246.00	280.00	362.00
Semi-Coking Grade I	413.00	470.00	608.00
Semi-Coking Grade II	343.00	390.00	504.00

(II) Non Coking Coal produced in CIL.

	Increased prices in December, 1987	Increased prices in January, 1989	Increased prices in December, 1991
Long flame coal			
Grade A	376.00	424.00	541.00
Grade B	345.00	389.00	496.00
Grade C	305.00	343.00	436.00
Grade D	247.00	277.00	351.00
Other than long flame Coal			
Grade A	351.00	399.00	516.00
Grade B	320.00	364.00	471.00
Grade C	280.00	318.00	411.00
Grade D	222.00	252.00	326.00
Grade E	176.00	200.00	259.00
Grade F	141.00	160.00	207.00
Grade G	100.00	114.00	147.00

(III) Coal produced in SCCL (Andhra Pradesh)

	Increased prices in September, 1988	Increased prices in January, 1989	Increased prices in December, 1991
Grade C	360.00	396.00	517.00
Grade D	317.00	349.00	455.00
Grade E	268.00	295.00	375.00
Grade F	202.00	222.00	308.00
Grade G	157.00	173.00	225.00

NOTE : Price indicated are for run of mine (ROM) Coal.

Circular of Coal India Limited on Voluntary Retirement of Employees

2332. SHRI SUNIL BASU RAY: Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Coal India has recently sent a "Secret Circular" to its subsidiaries;

(b) whether the circular has advised the subsidiaries to induce the employees to 'voluntarily retire' at the completion of 50 years of age or 30 years of service; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COAL (SHRI S. B. NYAMAGOUDA): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) Does not arise.

Assessment of Defence Lands

2333. DR. RATNAKAR PANDEY:
SHRI BEKAL UTSAHI:
DR. ABRAR AHMED:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have recently made any assessment to find out the acreage of defence land lying unused for a long time in various parts of the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise; and

(c) in what manner Government propose to utilise such lands?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI S. KRISHNA KUMAR): (a) to (c) Defence land holdings are reviewed from time to time by the concerned user Service for ensuring optimisation of land use. No separate assessment of land, apparently lying unused, is being carried out, as such lands are not necessarily surplus to Defence requirements but may have been kept vacant for meeting various training and other security needs or for future use.

As per present policy surplus defence lands are to be disposed of through public auctions.